



The Blurb



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***The Board meets on December 2nd,
The General Membership Meeting Is on the 9th***



The Usual Suspects turned out for a great Old Timer's Night

Merry Christmas! Happy Hanukah!

And yes, winter begins! *Brrr*

Come Cast your Vote at the December Meeting!

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Auction sales form on page 5-6

Pictures of members shacks too!

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		Sunday Morning Net Schedules • 2 Meter/ 70cm Net..... at 0930L on W3QV repeater • 10-on-10 Net at 1000L 28.393 MHz USB (±QRM) • 75 meter Net at 1020L 3.993 MHz LSB • ARES at 2100L on the W3QV repeater	
Committees Blurb folding: KB3IV & N3GLU Directory: KB3IV Field Day: KC2PMW Fusion Coord: NC3U	Internet: N3QV & KC2PMW Membership: K3HWG Net Control: KB3IV	Program: W3AOK Publicity: W3RM Refreshments: W3AOK Repeater: W3AOK	Scholarship: W3RM Sunshine: N3GLU VE Program: NS3K Welcome: N3UBY Youth: KC2PMW

All visitors are welcome!

The club meets at 7:00 PM on the *second* non-holiday Wednesday each month except July and August at Giant Supermarket, 315 York Rd, Willow Grove, PA
 Maps and directions are available at www.phil-mont.org.

License Examinations are held on the fourth **non-holiday Thursday** each month at **Community Ambulance Association, 1414 E. Butler Pike, Ambler PA 19002**
 Registration begins at 7:00 P.M. Applicants should contact Jim McCloskey NS3K at 215-275-2979 or jmccloskey@msn.com for the latest information.

Club Stations W3QV/R: The Jim Spencer Memorial Repeater System
 Ridge & Port Royal Avenues, Philadelphia, PA **Trustee: W3RM**
147.03 MHz + PL 91.5 Hz 444.80 MHz + PL 186.2 Hz
 Reach us on EchoLink through W3QV-R
W3AA Trustee: WU3I
W3EM: Field Day/special event station Trustee: N3QV

The Officers

President: WA3GM Greg Malone wa3gm@yahoo.com
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Treas: KB3IV Ed Masarsky kb3iv@comcast.net
Secretary: WU3I Steve Hoch wu3i@arrl.net

The Prez Sez ...



Hello Phil-Mont-

Happy Thanksgiving Phil-Mont. Hopefully everyone had a great holiday and were able to spend some time with your families.

Old timer's night was at our last meeting and it was great to see everyone there. Such notables in attendance were Bob W3NE, Jack K3CHR, and Sam K3GBA just to name a few.....See the picture elsewhere here in the blurb for our other esteemed Old Timers. A big thanks to Jim N3SHM, John KB3SJS and Doug WA3DSP for bringing some of our old timers to the meeting.

Doug, WA3DSP provided a slide show that he is working on of all the old time Phil-Mont pictures and Blurbs. A lot of great memories there and again thanks Doug for all of your hard work. A copy of this DVD will be available to all members shortly.

It is also that time of the year again for **ELECTION of OFFICERS** and board members. Al W3STW is the Chairman of the Nominating Committee. Please let Al know if you would like to run for office or would like to be on the committee. You must be a member in good standing and a Phil-Mont member for at least one year. Elections will be held at our Annual meeting which is the December meeting. Absentee ballots will be available for those who need same but we would really like to see you at the meeting. Vote early,

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vote often just come out and vote and make your voice heard.

Coming up in January will be our Annual Auction. This is always a fun event. Check your shack for boat anchors and other items you don't need and bring them to the auction. Let our auctioneer sell your wares and you will be helping Phil-Mont in the process. Just a reminder the auction **WILL NOT** be at the GIANT in Willow Grove. We will continue to hold our auction at the Roxboro Memorial Hospital as we have done so for many many years.

If anyone has any suggestions for a speaker or would like to speak at one of our meetings please let any of the club officers or board members know. Your input is vital and we welcome all suggestions.

Don't forget to sign up for the Phil-Mont Yahoo Group. This is a good way to share ideas amongst the membership. Sal NC3U is the moderator the group. For more info and to join the group contact Sal.

Speaking of Sal NC3U a big GET Well to Sal as he has to have his Achilles tendon operated on. We wish you a speedy recovery Sal.

Thank you for your support.

See you all at the next meeting.

73, Greg WA3GM



There's a Saturday morning VE session on the 5th and the usual Thursday evening session on the 17th this month.

As always, many thanks to our VE team!

Phil-Mont Birthdays & Tidbytes

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

01 Eric Marano - N3QV
 02 Patricia Katz - (XYL N3OWM)
 04 Ann Marie Fort - (XYL KB3SFY)
 08 Jules Stein - KB3AFH
 09 Barbara Bennett - (XYL NJ3Z)
 16 James Day - WA3QED
 19 Larry Stevenson - K3HWE
 20 Harvey Kolodner - WA3GTL
 21 Rick Spencer - N3FD
 22 Michelle London-KB3MTW
 24 Richard DeVirgiliis – ND3B
 25 Jim McCloskey - NS3K
 27 Mindy Pollack - (XYL N3VLC)

MEMBERSHIP STATS

At press time P.M.R.C. has:
 109 FULL PAID MEMBERS
 11 FAMILY MEMBERS
 2 YOUTH MEMBERS
 1 HONORARY MEMBER

From the Secretary

Board of Directors Meeting 11/4/2015

WA3GM opened the meeting at 7:11 PM in attendance WU3I, KB2ERL, K3HWG, WA3DSP, W3STW, KB3IV and WA3KIO.

Treasury - KB3IV reported all is well with the treasury WU3I made the motion to accept the report. KB2ERL Seconded Motion Passed
 Technical report - KB3IV reported the UHF output is now 30 watts into the antenna as of 11/4/2015. Sprint internet is working. Echolink problems are being investigated.

Membership - K3HWE reported a new member to be voted on Thomas Knight KC3BIW. KB3IV made the motion to accept K3HWG seconded Motion Passed.

General discussion - Auction date is 1/14/2015 at the Wolcoff Auditorium at Roxborough Hospital. The new insurance carrier for the ARRL Ins Program is Hanover Ins group. KB3IV made the motion to accept the new carrier WU3I seconded Motion carried.

Old business - None

Nominating Committee W3STW - we have a slate:
(see page 5)

NEW BUSINESS

W3STW is looking to arrange a bus trip to League HQ in Newington CT. Target date October 2016. In the planning stages please let Al know if you are interested or have had any experience in the planning of such an endeavor.

K3HWG reported he and N3SHM have been investigating jackets and hats - anyone with info on suppliers contact N3SHM.

Motion to adjourn K3HWG. Seconded WA3KIO. Motion carried. 8:03PM.

General Meeting 11/11/2015

WA3GM opened the meeting at 7:26 PM.

KB3IV reported the treasury is doing fine. We have 2 Scholarships for 2016. The W3IIM Claude Haring Memorial Scholarship and the N3VJE Bryan Hoch Memorial Scholarship.

There is a new station in the Net control rotation welcome to KC3DIL.

W3AOK reported the UHF AMP Back on line with 35 watts out of the cavities.

ND3B reported the BLURB is well and thanks to W3NE for the fine articles.

W3STW reported that the Nominating has a slate for election in December. *(see page 5)*

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KB2ERL has reminded us to send photos of our stations to the Editor for inclusion in the BLURB.

K3HWG has a new member KC3BIW. *(Continued on page 7)*



PHIL-MONT MOBILE RADIO CLUB, INC.

20th ANNUAL HAM RADIO

“AUCTION-FEST”

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 14, 2016 7PM AT WOLCOFF AUDITORIUM
ROXBOROUGH MEMORIAL HOSPITAL
5800 RIDGE AVE. (Ridge Ave & Jamestown St.)
PHILADELPHIA PA 19128**

**TALK IN: 147.030 (91.5PL)
For More Information Contact:
PHIL-MONT
P.O. BOX 404 - WARMINSTER, PA 18974
OR E-MAIL
info@phil-mont.org**

(See Reverse Side For Auction Details)

AUCTION RULES

1. P.M.R.C. will retain 10% of the sale price up to a max. of \$30.00 per item.
2. All sellers will pay a \$2.00 sellers fee to P.M.R.C.
3. Seller must supply a thorough description of each piece offered for sale on a separate form. (You may make copies of this form)
4. All sales are between the seller and buyer, not P.M.R.C.
5. P.M.R.C. will be held harmless in all transactions between buyer and seller.

***THIS AUCTION IS INTENDED TO BE A FUN EVENT HOSTED BY P.M.R.C.
AND WILL STAY IN THAT SPIRIT!***

I AGREE TO THE ABOVE RULES.

***NOTE: LIST ONLY ONE ITEM PER FORM-
FOR ADDITIONAL ITEMS PLEASE MAKE COPIES OF THIS FORM***

Seller _____ Call _____

Buyer (for club use) _____ Call _____

Item _____ Model# _____

Minimum bid you will accept \$ _____

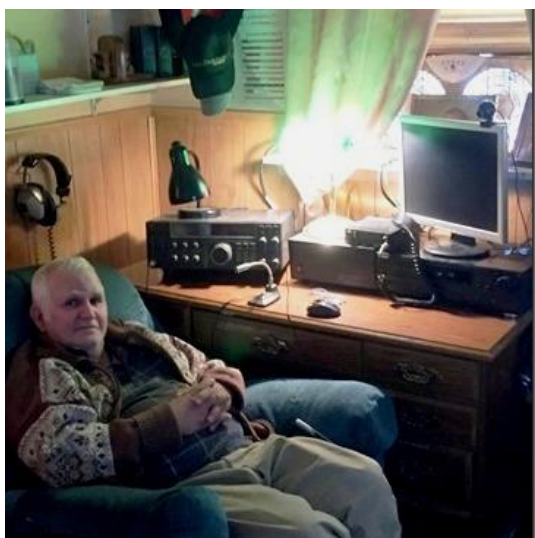
Tell us about this item

WA3DSP presented a short slide show on the upcoming Archives - DVD to go to all Members. Thanks to Doug for all his hard work.

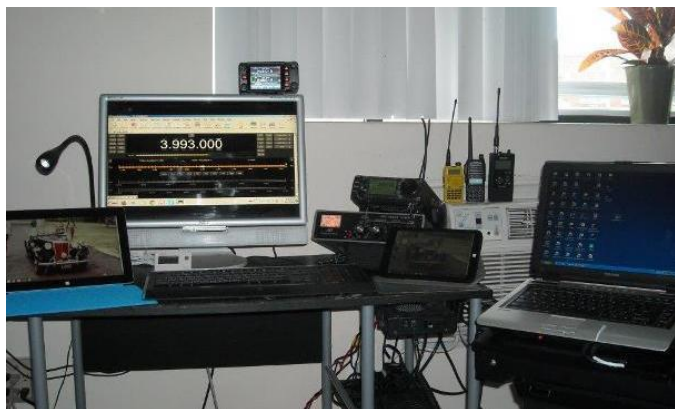
WU3I Recognized to years of service some of our members have submitted as Licensed Operators. K3GBA was licensed longest. We also recognized all of our VETERANS as it was Veterans day.

N3SHM is working on putting together an order for Jackets.

Respectfully Submitted ***Stephen Hoch WU3I***



N3SHM chillin in the shack



KB3IV setup

Send pictures of your shack to be included in an upcoming Blurb!

2016 Slate of Candidates

PHIL-MONT MOBILE RADIO CLUB

President	Greg Malone	WA3GM
Vice President	Bill Popovic	W3AOK
Secretary	Steve Hoch	WU3I
Treasurer	Ed Masarsky	KB3IV
Directors	Bill Gift	K3HWG
	Dick Moll	W3RM
	Eric Marano	N3QV

There are no other candidates for these offices; therefore absentee ballots will not be necessary. The club secretary will call for a vote of affirmation of the slate from all members attending the Annual Meeting December 9, 2015.

Respectfully submitted by Al Tribble, W3STW,
Judge of Elections

December at Phil-Mont

2 Wed Board Meeting
5 Sat VE session
6 Sun Hanukkah begins
K3EUI NCS
7 Mon Pearl Harbor Day
9 Wed General Meeting & Elections
13 Sun K3XS NCS
17 Thur VE evening session
20 Sun KB3IV NCS
22 Tues Winter Solstice
25 Friday Christmas
27 Sun WU3I NCS
31 Thur New Year's Eve

***Don't forget the ARES net on Sunday nights and
the Digital net on Tuesday nights.***

For Sale

***1/8" (290#) & 3/16" (380#) Dark Olive Drab
Braided Cord · 100% Polyester/Dacron Knit
Braided. Nice stuff! Tough and long lasting · UV
Resistant and Low Stretch Proudly Made in the
U.S.A.! Contact Steve WU3I at wu3i@arrl.net or
215-605-6074***

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